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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, PE

SUBJECT: GOP PURCHASE OF GERMAN SUBMARINES

1. CHILEAN DCM TOLD CHARGE' THAT HE HAD UNCONFIRMED REPORT  
THAT PURCHASE OF FOUR SUBMARINES BY GOP FROM FRG HAS BEEN  
CANCELLED FOR FINANCIAL REASONS AND THAT FRG IS NOW PLANNING TO SELL  
THESE SAME SUBMARINES TO INDONESIA.

2. DAO SUBSEQUENTLY APPROAHCED CAPTAIN ZARIQUIEY,  
SECRETARY TO MINISTER OF THE NAVY PARODI. ZARIQUIEY STATED  
THAT GERMAN SUBMARINE PURCHASE WAS STILL ON, WITH DELIVERY  
SCHEDULED FOR 1982-85, ONE SUBMARINE PER YEAR. MOREOVER,  
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GOP REQUEST TO DOD FOR NEW TORPEDO FIRE CONTROL SYSTEM FOR  
THE FOUR AGING AMERICAN SUBMARINES  
IS LINKED TO GERMAN PURCHASE IN THAT PERU INTENDS TO TRANSFER  
FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS TO THE NEW GERMAN SUBS AS THEY ARE DELIVERED.  
(DAO IS SENDING MORE DETAILED REPORT).

3. WE HAVE TRIED TO QUERY LOCAL REP OF SINGER COMPANY,

WHICH HAS INTREST IN SUPPLYING THE FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS,  
BUT HE IS CURRENTLY OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

4. COMMENT: CAPTIAN ZARIQUIEY SHOULD BE AWARE OF ANY  
CHANGE IN THE STATUS OF THE SUBMARINE PURCHASE, ALTHOUGH  
IF A DECISION WERE TAKEN AT THE TOP POLITICAL LEVEL IT IS  
CONCEIVABLE THAT HE HAS BEEN KEPT IN THE DARK. IT IS ALSO  
POSSIBLE THAT THE FRG IS RECONSIDERING THE SALE TO GOP  
IN VIEW OF PERUVIAN FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES. CHILEAN DCM  
IS WELL-INFORMED AND CLAIMS HIS SOURCE IS RELATIVELY GOOD  
OF GERMAN ORIGIN. HOWEVER, INFORMATION HERE FROM CHILEAN  
SOURCES HAS SOMETIMES IN THE PAST BEEN MISLEADING AND/OR  
SELF-SERVING. DEPT. MAY WISH TO FOLLOW UP THROUGH BONN.  
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